

**Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees  
Tuesday, May 22, 2018**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
HARRY DECARLO**

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Today, Tuesday, May 22, 2018 the **REGULAR BOARD MEETING** of the **SOLVAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** was called to order by Mayor Derek Baichi at the Town of Geddes Community Room, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

<b>ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>Trustees</b>	<b>William McVicker Daniel Bellotti Thomas Tarolli Raymond Fournier John Cregg</b>	<b>Present Present Present Present Present</b>
	<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	<b>John Fall Sr</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Present</b>

Resolved that this Board of Trustees move into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 6:05 p.m.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Resolved that the Executive Session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting at 6:40 p.m.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: William McVicker**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**No action was taken at the Executive session meeting.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mayor Baichi shared an update on the recent insurance meeting and the opportunity for savings for the village. There will be more to report next month. A Special board meeting scheduled for June 5th, 6pm village hall conference room. Mayor Baichi would like to have a resolution for a new insurance provider. Introduction of Richard Penhall, new DPW Superintendent. Gere-lock Clean up - Ray Fournier - patching crews taking care of area and clean out bridge area, brush and trees. Bridge NY grant still in process. Fox terrifying the village is being taken care of. John Cregg - compliment by Kim Richardardson a resident of the village for assistance during storm. Tree had fallen and the DPW took care of it. Neighborhood watch picnic coming up on June 11th, 6-8 at the pavilion. Everyone is invited to attend.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**207 Cogswell Ave**

**OPEN: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**7-0, motion carried**

Trustee Tarolli, suggested to table for another month. Nadine Bell, Village Attorney is working on getting search warrant for the property. Structural engineer getting involved as well. Then a determination will be made. A contractor also approached regarding a 2 unit apartment. The hearing could remain open until next regular board meeting.

**To continue public hearing until June 26th, Regular Board Meeting.**

**MOTION: Tom Tarolli**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**7-0, motion carried**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Administrative**  
**Legal**  
**Treasurer**

**Mayor Derek Baichi** - None  
**Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney** - None  
**Cheryl Visconti, Treasurer** reported filed NYS tax cap and certified, NYS constitutional tax limit. Budget modifications - 200k being taken out of fund balance for police retro. Would like to take the whole 350k out of surplus. Trustee Cregg agrees with using the surplus to not strain this year's budget. Trustee Bellotti respectfully disagrees. We only need 200k. Why take the money out then put it back in. Just take out the 200k we need. Cheryl Visconti, this year's budget it in extreme stress and is very close. The decision needs to be made now because we are at year end. Trustee Tarolli, how is Feher Rubbish going out effect our budget? A increase will occur using Superior Waste Removal. We currently owe Feher money but they do not owe us. Cheryl Visconti would like to amend the budget modification resolution to use the 350k out of surplus. John McPeak, resident questioned, what is the additional 150K for? You had modified the budget before for 181K so why would you have to do this now. Trustee Bellotti stated that If the checks have been cut for the police already, you cannot take it out again, it is illegal. Kevin Gilligan, Village Attorney assured that this is not illegal. Trustee Cregg interjected and agrees will using the 350k so the budget is not stressed and we have enough money to pay the bills. If the funds are not used the money goes back into the fund balance. John McPeak agrees with Trustee Bellotti and he has a point. You have already modified the budget by the tune of 181K. In the next 8 days, 150K will be for the highway and sidewalk work. John McPeak, asked how is highway spending money they do not have. Trustee Bellotti, are there any outstanding bills for the highway that total 180K? Visconti, there could very well be, I have not seen all the bills. Mayor Baichi stressed that we need the money to pay the bills. The money is identified and for village functions. If we prepare to have the money for the expenses and the remaining money can go into the fund balance. Visconti, notified the public of a new feature for electric billing, eBills.

**Police**

**Allen Wood, Police Chief** reported 1113 service calls for April 2018. The department had 22 follow-ups, 3 felony, 40 misdemeanors, 125 Vehicle and Traffic, 1 DWI, no juvenile, 240 parking tickets, 6 accidents and no stolen vehicles. Buckle Up New York 5/21 through 6/3. John Maestri, resident asked the Chiefs opinion on resolution #13. Trustee fall explained they have 1 year to change retirement and pass a resolution and sponsored by legislation and pass a home rule bill. We have no idea the cost. Why pass the resolution at all?, Chief Wood. Other suggestions came from the crowd. Cheryl Visconti confirmed that no cost is available. Once a bill is passed, the amount will be available. Mayor Baichi will table the resolution when we get to it.

**Electric**

**Joe Hawksby, Electric Superintendent** - reported an update on the Bridge Street/Milton Ave Project: walkthrough with line crew, HMT and Fdr. routes changed to accommodate loads. 5 KV. transformers to be located and cutout added if one does not exist. Tree trimming is being done when necessary and mostly because of wind storms. New Fdr. Maps and survey after Bridge Street is completed. The Orange parking lot is complete.

**DPW/Highway**

**Richard Penhall, DPW Superintendent** reported that this is my 7th day on the job and introduced his staff including Paul Hoffman, Zac, Chris and Sandy. We have been working on cleaning up parks and benches repainted on school road. Been working on the swimming pool and surrounding area. Summer help is working away. Three sewer digs this month, one camera and two rooter jobs. Moved books from the library over to the fire station. Cleaned up leaves and branches and completed high grass work orders. Trash situation at 304 Caroline that has been resolved. Follow up inspection from PESC and everything has been corrected. DEC has been in to make an inspection. Tar work this week and a tree down on school road that has been taken care of. Also, guard rail on school road being attended to. Continue to mow lawns daily. Thanks to everyone for their help in the transition to the new position.

**Library**

**Dan Golden, Library Director** - began by thanking the staff of Public Works for their hard work on behalf of the Friends Book sale. Dan also thanked the Friends and Solvay-Geddes Rotary for having spent long hours guaranteeing the success of the Sale. Proceeds from the book and bake sales totaled just under \$2,100, higher than last year's figure of \$1,862.

According to Dan, these are the upcoming programs for the 2018 Summer Reading Program: MOST Science Show-Wednesday, July 11 at 10:00 a.m. The MOST Summer Library Program will bring a 45-minute interactive demonstration. Superhero Costume Party, Friday, July 13, 2 p.m. Party in superhero costume for young people of all ages. Moreland the Magician-Wednesday July 25 at 10:00 a.m. Moreland the Magician will use a wide variety of magic tricks to celebrate the fun of reading. Dan the Snakeman-Thursday, August 2nd at 10 a.m. Dan Chase, the 'Snakeman,' will present live reptiles to teach about wildlife and the environment. Our next Report to the Village Trustees will provide more information on our upcoming Summer Reading Program, stay tuned. As always, the Library welcomes suggestions from the public.

**Codes**

**Anthony Alberti** reported 21 rental, 11 electric, 10 unregistered vehicles, tickets for trash complaints, 32 grass violations. Vacant homes and landlords have been contacted. Immediate action must be taken. We don't go by facebook, we go by the codes book! Next meeting is tomorrow the 23rd and discuss convenient stores/moratorium and potential extension six more months.

**Stormwater Celebrations**

**Mark Malley** - addressed resolutions on the agenda concerning stormwater. **Mary Bosco** - received funding today for event. Donations are continuing to come in. Trustee Tarolli asked about how many tents are going to be included at the event. Mary stated that right now we have three and vendors like craft providers will have their own. The Bands will play on a stage and we are trying to locate one. The City and the Fair no longer have one available. The City will not rent out to a facility not in the city. Also addressed the bathroom situation. Trustee Tarolli would not like the public to have access to the bathrooms at the field because they will get destroyed. Mayor Baichi thought it would be ok to use the bathrooms that are there rather than rent port-a-potties. These bathrooms must be handicapped accessible. All the entities in the village have been very supportive. Fire, Electric, Highway and Police are going to have demonstrations at the event. The event is on August 11th and it's all about community the Mayor stressed. Trustee Bellotti is concerned about the cost of over time from the workers needed. Mayor Baichi stated that the village will handle the labor costs.

**Buildings**

**John Fall Sr** - reported that the committee has been meeting for last 3-4 months and has come up with a potential location for the village hall. The suggestion was made to add the police department with the village hall. We are going to try it both ways and compare the cost. Bill Freitag is going to come in and go over the finances and the options for the village. We did look at other facilities and the church building is going to cost too much to rehabilitate. 500K to renovate the current village hall and at the end of the day you still have an old building with bad electric. We are looking at a site on Milton Ave across from the gazebo that the village owns. It is about an acre of land. It is in the design phase. The next meeting is on June 12th at 5:30pm. Chuck Orr, resident and employee questioned how the electric funds will be used for the new village hall. Dawn Decarlo, resident suggested using the funding for police and programs for the children rather than for a new village hall.

**Comprehensive Plan**

**John Cregg** - discussed the meeting last Wednesday night. It was the kick off meeting with Town of Geddes. We had a few hiccups and it was difficult to hear. We ironed that out with the school. We had a great turnout with over 100 people. Great suggestions and ideas were made and the entire board was in attendance. The next meeting is on June 19th at 7pm at the Town of Geddes. Mayor Baichi reassured the public that this is not a plan to consolidate. This should put the rumors to rest.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay C&S Engineers \$6910.00 for services rendered from 4/1/18 to 4/30/18. (Total Cost to the Village is: \$5,710.00)  
Below are the specific projects that will be reimbursed through Grant or the County:

- Invoice No. 0171780 – Project No. 114.213.001 – I/I Reduction Grant

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: William McVicker**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

2. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC \$10,297.56 for services rendered for the month of April 2018.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

3. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the April 24, 2018 Regular Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**

**SECOND: Raymond Fougner**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

4. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2018 Special Board Meeting and the Reading of the Minutes be herewith dispensed.

**MOTION: Daniel Bellotti**

**SECOND: John Fall Sr**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

5. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the Village of Solvay to participate in the Energy Benchmarking Program as part of the Clean Energy Communities process, all in accordance with the full resolution that has been circulated to the Mayor and Board of Trustees.

**MOTION: Raymond Fougner**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

6. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve the amended Budget Modifications:

**Village of Solvay General Fund**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>(as modified) Current Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget Mod</b>	<b>Newly Modified Budget Amount</b>
<b>Revenues</b>				
426650 A	Sale of Equipment	29,373	800	30,173
426800 A	Insurance Recoveries	31,188	680	31,868
	<b>Total</b>	<b>60,561</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>62,041</b>

**Expenses**

513254 A	Treasurer-Other	16,000	3,000	19,000
516404 A	Central Garage-Other	50,000	10,000	60,000
514404 A	Engineer-Other	25,000	15,000	40,000
536204 A	Codes-Wages	45,000	(2,900)	42,100
536204 A	Codes-Other	33,000	9,200	42,200
551421 A	Snow Removal-Wages	163,200	(20,000)	143,200
551424 A	Snow Removal-Other	200,000	(29,820)	170,180
551101 A	Street Maintenance-Wages	128,531	45,000	173,531
551104 A	Street Maintenance-Other	342,725	42,000	384,725
571104 A	Parks - Other	14,000	20,000	34,000
581204 A	Sanitary	63,077	25,000	88,077
581404 A	Storm Sewers-Other	10,000	5,000	15,000
531201 A	Police-Wages	1,372,800	179,000	1,551,800
531204 A	Police-Other	108,817	30,000	138,817
590308 A	Social Security	157,300	21,000	178,300
599000 A	Appropriated Fund Balance	0	(350,000)	(350,000)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,729,450</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>2,730,930</b>

**Village of Solvay Library Fund**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>(as modified) Current Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget Mod</b>	<b>Newly Modified Budget Amount</b>
<b>Revenues</b>				
427050 L	Gifts & Donations	4,784	350	5,134
438400 L	State Aid-Library	6,600	1,000	7,600
	<b>Total</b>	<b>11,384</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>12,734</b>

<b>Expenses</b>				
574102 L	Personal Service	224,100	(6,150)	217,950
574104 L	Library-Other	46,534	5,000	51,534
590608 L	Health Insurance	8,400	2,500	10,900
	<b>Total</b>	<b>279,034</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>280,384</b>

**MOTION: William McVicker**  
**SECOND: Thomas Tarolli**

<b>William McVicker</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Raymond Fougner</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Cregg</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Fall, Sr.</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Daniel Bellotti</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Thomas Tarolli</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Derek Baichi</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

7. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to rescind so much of the March 27<sup>th</sup> bond authorization resolution that authorized the borrowing of up to \$230,000 to cover the costs of purchasing a 2019 Freightliner Truck with Terex High Ranger Optima Aerial Device, as funds have been received from other sources to cover the cost of this vehicle.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: Raymond Fougner**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

8. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to have the Mayor sign the NYSDEC 2018 Annual MS4 Report and submit the document to the NYSDEC Division of Water, 4th Floor, 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12233 by June 1, 2018.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: Thomas Tarolli**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

9. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to have the Mayor sign the CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services and Educational Compliance Assistance Program agreement that will fund its portion of the program cost in the amount of \$3,600.00 and that those funds will be made available to the CNYRPDB upon receipt of the invoice.

**MOTION: Raymond Fougner**

**SECOND: William McVicker**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

10. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve:  
**WHEREAS**, the property described by the following tax map number(s) and located at the following address(s) is/are in the Village of Solvay, is/are owned by the following owner(s); and  
**WHEREAS**, as the aforesaid property owner(s) allows the property to accumulate high weeds, brush, grass, trash, debris, or other matter, in a manner that is unhealthy, hazardous, or dangerous and in violation of Chapter 56; and  
**WHEREAS**, the owner(s) was notified by certified mail and/or posted on site and a follow up revealed the violation still exists  
**NOW**, be it resolved that the Village of Solvay Board shall authorize the property to be cut, trimmed, and removed by the Village Representatives, and all actual costs of work or services rendered at the direction of the Village Board, shall be assessed and collected in the same manner and time as the taxes levied on the premises.

<b>STREET ADDRESS</b>	<b>TAX MAP</b>	<b>NAME OF OWNER</b>
<b>35 Heritage Circle</b>	<b>014.-04-15.0</b>	<b>MTGLQ Investors LP</b>
<b>321 Second St</b>	<b>007.-06-03.0</b>	<b>Michael W. Ross</b>
<b>223 Williams St</b>	<b>010.-03-03.0</b>	<b>Medo Realty Inc</b>
<b>207 Cogswell Ave</b>	<b>007.-04-37.0</b>	<b>Coral Real Estate LLC</b>
<b>125 Freeman Ave</b>	<b>010.-07-29.0</b>	<b>Christy Matzke</b>

**MOTION: William McVicker**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

11. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to approve a new hourly rate of \$17 per hour for Karen Ladouceur, Part Time Court Clerk with a start date of June 2, 2018.

**MOTION: Raymond Fournier**

**SECOND: William McVicker**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

12. Authorization from the Board of Trustees hire the following lifeguards for the Solvay Pool. They will start on May 26th or after.

- Head Lifeguard, \$13.70/hour: Tristram Forster,
- Asst. Head Lifeguard, \$12.70/hour: Nicholas Visconti
- Lifeguard(s), \$11.40/hour: Thomas Whitney, Lauren Staso, Antonia Kerr, Rachel Whiting, Michael Gilhenehy, Stephanie Broton, Hannah Jewell (Sub)
- Lifeguard(s), \$11.50/hour: Noelle Staso, MacKenna Caryl, Meghan Cherry
- Lifeguard(s), \$11.60/hour: Kaitlin Dunning
- Lifeguard(s), \$11.70/hour: Stephanie Campagna, Morgan Cappon

**MOTION: Thomas Tarolli**

**SECOND: John Fall Sr**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

13. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to table until Regular Board Meeting on June 26, 2018:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Solvay has been approached by representatives of the Solvay Police Benevolent Association, Inc. (PBA) about the possibility of the Village entertaining the sponsorship of special legislation designed to permit certain members of the PBA to transfer from their current retirement system into a different retirement system, at the expense of the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, representatives of the applicable State Retirement System into which the said officers wish to transfer have advised the Village that only after said special legislation is enacted, would actuaries provide the estimated cost of such action; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village does not wish to undertake the requested sponsorship of such action in the absence of financial information confirming the potential cost to the Village and its taxpayers.

**NOW therefore, be it**

**RESOLVED AND DETERMINED**, that the Village declines to sponsor the requested special legislation in the absence of anticipated cost estimates; and it is further

**RESOLVED AND DETERMINED**, that the Village Clerk shall send a letter to the PBA, on behalf of this Board, conveying this decision of the Village of Solvay Board of Trustees and a copy of this resolution with respect to same.

**MOTION: Thomas Tarolli**

**SECOND: John Cregg**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 14. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the introduction of proposed Local Law D-2018, titled 'A local law imposing a six (6) month moratorium on electric high density load service operations in the Village of Solvay', determining that this proposed law is a Type 2 action for purposes of SEQR (6 NYCRR Section 617.5(c)(30) thus concluding the environmental review process with respect to this legislation and setting a public hearing to consider this proposed local law on June 26, 2018 at 6:00 pm, in the Town of Geddes Town Hall, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209, all in accordance with the full resolution that has been circulated to the Village Board

**MOTION: William McVicker**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 15. Authorization from the Board of Trustees for the Solvay Village Court to hire two Court Security Officers per court date and two alternate Security Officers at a rate of \$20 per hour, with a minimum of 3 hours. Court is held three times per month. This will go into effect June 7, 2018.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: William McVicker**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 16. Authorization from the Board of Trustees to pay Mark Cazzolli for 96 days of unused sick time with an approximate cost of \$26,000.

**MOTION: John Cregg**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

William McVicker	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Raymond Fougner	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Cregg	Trustee	Voted	Yes
John Fall, Sr.	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Daniel Bellotti	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Thomas Tarolli	Trustee	Voted	Yes
Derek Baichi	Mayor	Voted	No

**PETITIONS:**

Lt. Osbeck addressed the board regarding a past incident that occurred at the Village Hall involving a threatening individual. Chief Allen Wood expressed the same concern.

ADJOURNMENT:

The regular meeting of the Solvay Board of Trustees be adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

**MOTION: John Fall Sr**

**SECOND: Daniel Bellotti**

**AYES: 7**

**NAYES: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Harry DeCarlo, Village Clerk